

REMARKS

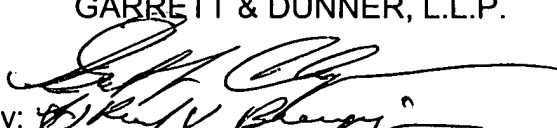
The above-identified application has been amended to incorporate the benefit and priority information, and to delete the presence of improper multiple dependent claims. Claims 1 and 5 have been amended, claim 4 has been deleted, and claim 6 has been added. Claims 1-3, 5 and 6 are currently pending.

The examiner is respectfully requested to consider the above preliminary amendment prior to examination of the application.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this preliminary amendment, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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